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SHARE

"Make channels for the stream of love,
Where they may broadly run;
And love has overflowing streams
To fill them every one.
"For we must share if we would keep
That good gift from above;
Ceasing to share we cease to have
Such is the law of love."

Selected.

Christmas, 1937.

WITH HANDS ACROSS THE SEA
and
EYES ON THE SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD

Many of our Missionaries working in the Harvest Fields of Europe will be thinking of home and friends and loved ones in America as Christmas nears. It would be such joy to see the dear faces and speak to the loved ones and to celebrate Christmas in the old familiar way.

But many miles lie between the mission field and the old home in America, and time and money cannot be spared for the long journey. Compulsory absence is part of the price the Foreign Missionary pays when he enlists in the service of his Lord.

The compensation of the Soul Winner for this sense of loss at the Christmas holidays is to be found in the souls he is privileged to lead into the Way of Salvation. For this prize he leaves the loved ones and sets his face toward the strange land and stranger people, determined with Paul that

"they shall see, to whom no tidings of Him came
and they who have not heard shall understand."
—*Romans* 15:21.

So let neither the Soul Winner in far lands nor the home friends be sad or lonely when Christmas comes. With hearts more full of love than ever, with hand clasped in hand even across the wide sea, turn your eyes to the Christ for Whom this sacrifice is made. Kindred and friends will draw near and He Who came to earth to bring Eternal Life to lost souls will make Christmas a Day of Joy in spite of the miles.

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There is no time like Christmas for remembering those who serve Christ on the mission fields. To bear them to the Throne of Grace and to send a gift at Christmas time can but make our own hearts more full of love toward Him Who is the Gift of God.

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Perhaps you will balance your tithing account for 1937 with a gift to some Missionary on the European Harvest Field. Many who labor there will lack the comforts of life, but at Christmas they will be sharing their little with some who are poor indeed. As they tell the story of the Babe of Bethlehem let us see to it that there is assurance of daily bread provided. The Missionary's prayers should be for the souls of men more than for his own sustenance.

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Pastor Hogg's Memorial

Testimony To His Spiritual Union with the Missionaries

We shall greatly miss the comforting letters, the kindly advice, encouragement, and prayers of our dear friend and brother in Christ, the late Mr. Herbert Hogg, whom the Lord saw fit to call Home, which is far better for him. We daily pray that the Lord may raise up another faithful man in his place.

—Philip Manetz (Carpathian Russia)

We have lost in Mr. Hogg a friend who with great dedication shared the burden of the Russian sufferings and helped to promote the evangelization of our people, but our Father knows all our sorrows and their depths.

—Prof. V. Martcinkovski (Palestine)

Though our acquaintance with Mr. Hogg was brief, mostly by correspondence, we loved him for the quietness, the sincerity and depth of his Christian life . . . Our Father's ways at times are beyond understanding, but praise Him, we can even then shut our eyes and, in blind faith, sing songs in the night.

—Edwin and Dorothy Jacques (Albania)

We are well aware that we missionaries have lost a good friend, one who excelled in justice, punctuality, and detailed care. Confidence has steadily increased through the years that Mr. Hogg exercised the burdens of secretary. We pray God that a worthy successor may be found, who will continue along the lines that Mr. Hogg followed for so many years, which proved such a blessing to the work.

—Fred Stettler (Poland)

How dear Brother Hogg was to me! My heart is aching. I know we missionaries will suffer, through losing such a man as Pastor Hogg, but I bow to God's will.

—George Nazaruk (Poland)

The news came as a genuine shock. There is scarcely any need of saying how much his presence and direction will be missed by the Fellowship family. There is abundant comfort in the realization that he has brought many trophies to the feet of our Lord; also in the realization that he has lived *fully*.

—Arthur and Jean Konrad (Albania)

Mr. Hogg was such a loving, efficient and tireless steward of our Lord. His labors have not been in vain. We who are left must follow his beautiful example and "carry on" until we, too, are called into the glad presence of our Saviour and Lord.

—Mrs. P. B. Kennedy

In Pastor Hogg I had a most faithful helper in my missionary work. He supported me with his prayers and advice and was an inspiration to me. During times of material difficulties, I had his comforting and encouraging words. He was always truthful. It causes pain in my heart when I no longer see the signature of Brother Hogg, but there is joy, also, for we are sure that Pastor Hogg ended his earthly course as a true soldier of Jesus Christ. Let his name be remembered in our midst. May the Lord help our mission to continue the work as Brother Hogg conducted it!

—D. Prystupa (Poland)

JUST ONE MORE GEM FOR MY SAVIOR*

E. N. S.

Col. E. N. Sanctuary
No. 54

One that I love has departed, Jesus has called this one home;
Safe in His presence forever, With the redeemed near His throne;
Free from all suf'ring and sorrow, No more to utter a moan.

Chorus:

Just one more gem for my Savior, Just one more friend over there;
Just one more hope for His coming, His kingly rights we shall share;
Just one more reason to see Him, Earth's burdens no more to bear.

Grateful we are for His promise, We, in our sorrow, have hope
For 'tis His life now within us, o'er sin we ever can cope;
Getting each day nearer heaven, He helps us climb each steep slope.

Partings down here from our loved ones, Thank God, are but for a day;
Some day to join them in glory, No more from Him we shall stray;
Joyful reunions await us, Oh, what a glorious day.

*Sung by the author and Miss Hill of Pastor Hogg's church, for the first time at the funeral of Pastor Hogg, August 21, 1937.

Our loss is great, since Pastor Hogg, in many respects, was our father during all these years of our being in this country. Praise the Lord, we have the assurance that Pastor Hogg lives forever and is now with Christ.

—A. V. Dobrinin

Pastor Hogg lived a blessed, busy, unselfish life. His faithfulness in the Lord's work, his promptness in answering the many letters which came from the European missionary field, his charity, his readiness to help those in need, his devotion and beautiful Christian life—all these attributes leave an example for us. He was a man who had the courage of his convictions, and his life was filled with consecrated activity. He stood for Christ as a rock. He lived a victorious everyday Christian life, which, like a fixed lighthouse, will shine through all time. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord . . . their works do follow them."

—Mrs. Pauline Nikoff (Bulgaria)

I was deeply moved and very sad at heart when I received notice of the homegoing of dear Mr. Hogg. How we will miss his kind letters and his prayerful sympathy. We on the field will miss him very much. May the Lord send a man after His own heart to take his place!

—Miss E. H. Steyrer (Austria)

We were extremely sorry to hear of Brother Hogg's death. It is a great loss. Though I never saw Brother Hogg personally, I learned to love him very much. We shall not forget him. Our church members in Bustino were very sorry to hear this sad news, and we are praying that the Lord will raise up someone to take Mr. Hogg's place who is really devoted and loves the missionary work.

—John Kovalchuk (Carpathian Russia)

We can trustingly say that the Lord does all things well, though we do not know or understand. We do rejoice that there is a balm in Gilead.

—Charles Lukesh (Czechoslovakia)

We have mourned with relatives and friends over the sorrow sustained in the home call of our dear Brother Hogg, but "we sorrow not as those that have no hope." We rejoice with Brother Hogg in his going to be with Him whom he loved so sincerely and served so efficiently.

—Rev. F. A. McGaw and the Warsaw Group (Poland)

I feel deeply grieved over the sorrowful news, but find comfort in the Word of God that it is better to be with Christ (Phil. 1: 23).

—A Przeorski (Poland)

Many will sadly miss Brother Hogg, but God makes no mistakes. I shall pray that the man of God's choice may be found to take his place.

—Dr. James Ewke (Palestine)

I was shocked to hear that Mr. Hogg had passed away. I am very sorry indeed. I had hoped to see him on my way home, but for him God had a better plan. Both Dick and myself are holding up the work, and the change it will involve, before the throne of grace.

—Mrs. R. W. Hill (Roumania)

We pray for the work of the American European Fellowship, that it may not suffer by losing such a worker as was the late Pastor Hogg. We believe that God's ways are always better than ours and we praise Him for that, even though we cannot understand.

—John Gordiuk (Poland)

PASTOR AND LOVED ONE, AND TRUE AS A FRIEND*

Pastor and loved one and true as a friend, Loyal and faithful God's Word to defend;
Rest from his labors and safe home above, Hearing, and knowing, God's infinite love.

What were thought losses are now counted gain, Freed from all sorrow, all suf'ring and pain,

Life's that "far better", tho sadly missed here, Some day in glory we all shall appear.

Sight once "glass darkly" but now face to face, Glorious vision of Christ's matchless grace,

Some chosen trophies at Christ's feet to lay, Souls won for Jesus, all meet him some day.

* Dedicated by the author to Pastor Hogg and read at his funeral.

Colonel Sanctuary has written the words and music to more than 100 Gospel songs since July 1st, 1937, and contemplates some time in 1938 to issue "Sanctuary's Songs for the Sanctuary" for which he now has more than 130 completed.

AT JOPPA BY THE SEA

OUR MEDICAL MISSION and CLINIC IN THE HOLY LAND

By Dr. James Ewke
(*Jaffa, Palestine*)

Jaffa, Palestine, Oct. 13.

Dear Brethren:—

THANK you for the remittances of $125 and $75. This enabled us to start with the clinic and to register our "hospital" with the Health Department. Yesterday a medical officer inspected our quarters. We are all praising the Lord and are grateful to His children who cooperate with us in this good thing. You should have seen how much this clinic is needed in the midst of the neglected population of this district. Prof. Martcinkovsky, who examined this region with us, would agree to this.

Recently I was called to visit a young Jew about thirty years old. His wife had died; his two little children were with him; he himself is ill with "trachoma" — eye sickness — and almost blind. I began to treat his eyes and you should have seen how grateful he was.

It is likely that the expenses to operate many clinics will run to more than our planned estimate, but if we should be able to spend the total sum of $125 for furniture and instruments then we shall by the Lord's help start quite well in this clinic. But, as I have already written you, we shall need a regular sum of $35 monthly for rent, cleaning of the rooms, water and electric current.

Our clinic occupies four rooms and a large waiting or reception hall, one wall of which is of glass. In this hall we propose, God willing, to have Gospel meetings for the patients, and there is every possibility that they will be numerous. I ask the brethren of the Fellowship to pray earnestly for this new kind of work among the many Jews in this city by the Mediterranean.

We are expecting a visit within the next few days from Prof. V. Martcinkovsky and his wife, who will come here from Haifa to hold in Jaffa and in Jerusalem a series of lectures for the Jews. Please pray for these lectures also. Just as you will be receiving this letter He will be lecturing in one city or the other.

This autumn we have begun our regular meetings in Jaffa in the hall "Pennel" about which I have already written in my former letters. This hall is located at the other end of the district from our clinic, and so we shall be able (D.V.) to praise His Name in two different places of Jaffa—Tel Aviv, the sea port of Jerusalem. New persons are attending our meetings. By the Lord's help I am addressing regular meetings every Saturday morning for the Jewish youth and Tuesday evening for the converted souls or those who are near to conversion.

On Saturday afternoon of each week we shall have meetings like Sunday school classes for the Jewish children, with pictures illustrating the Holy Scripture. Saturday evenings we shall have evangelization meetings. Before the beginning of the meetings, usually a brother and a sister of the assembly are distributing tracts and Christian literature on the street, and inviting passers-by to come into our hall.

God gives us many opportunities to testify to His love and salvation here in the Holy Land, and we shall need much prayer of His children before the Throne of Grace.

Earlier News of the Clinic and Mission

The main aim of Professor Martcinkovsky's coming to Jaffa the last time at our request was to look with us for a suitable location for the clinic. As I have already written, the English authorities of Palestine have granted us a license to establish the clinic. A suitable lodging has now been found in a district of dense and poor Jewish population. Besides the rooms devoted to special medical purposes, we will have at our disposal a large hall which can be used at will either as a reception room for patients during visiting hours or as a good room for our meetings. This double use of the hall has its advantages. We believe that grateful patients who have been helped in the clinic will feel "at home" when they come at our invitation to attend some of the meetings we are planning as an important part of our service to the Jewish population of Jaffa.

We will have on Sunday (September 26) a baptism in the Mediterranean. You may not know that the present city of Jaffa, where our work is now going on, was called "Joppa" in the times of the Apostles (See Acts 10:5). To the tourists who come to this port on their way to Jerusalem are shown the ruins of the house where Peter prayed "upon the house top" before going to answer the call of Cornelius.

On our walk along the seaside to the place selected for the baptism I saw many Arab tanners engaged that morning in front of their homes in the same business as "Simon the tanner." It made on me a great impression. It almost seemed to me that I was living not in the Twentieth Century, but in the times of the beginning of Christianity. For the first time in my life I saw in the Holy Land a

baptism in the same places where the apostles lived, walked and taught, and, I am sure, also baptized.

Despite the end of September, the air was very hot, and you should have seen how wonderful the picture appeared before us when the new-born souls, dressed in special garments, were immersed in the sea in the name of the Holy Trinity. There were the blue waters of the Mediterranean, and the believers stood on the shore, rejoicing, singing and praying. In our midst were English people, Jews, Arabs and Armenians. Brother Goold, from New Zealand, baptized. We all, though from different nations, glorified our Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ our Saviour.

When Brother Martcinkovsky comes down from Haifa, three and one half hours to the north, he holds meetings for Jews. Arabs and Russians. Beside numerous Jews, more than half of whom speak Russian, there are in Palestine many real Russians who came here as refugees or emigrants. We have far more Russian believers as members of our church here in Jaffa than we had in the city of Prague.

Immediately after finding our good location I wrote to Brother Hogg to help us in beginning our clinic ministry as soon as possible. But the Lord decided otherwise. He called His servant home and gave him a new service and worship in heaven. But "we which are alive and remain" must continue our work at His will. We sincerely hope for your daily prayer support and beg you not to forget that we must have the means to maintain this clinic without interruption. Now that it is once started the visitation will grow day by day, and it would be a real calamity to refuse admission and needed help to the sick and suffering when they come to us. How should we continue to witness to the Lord's own people if the clinic closes? Bear all these things before the Throne of Grace and I am sure our testimony will bear fruit in the coming of the Messiah to many who walk in Palestine.

November 11.

Dear Brethren:—

PLEASE excuse me that I am sending my report so late. There remains for me now very little time for writing. We have two places for work, — the meeting hall in the German Colony (between Jaffa and Tel-Aviv) and the clinic, located at opposite end of the city. Besides this, I am now diligently studying Hebrew and some Arabic, the languages which I shall need in the clinic.

I am now "sitting in the doctor's room," where I am glad to write you some words about the clinic. The second of November we were ready, with the cleaning of all the rooms and with the water and electrical installations according to the requirements of the Health Department authorities. On that day a group of believers gathered in the clinic for prayer, to begin with it our work among the poor and needy Jews of the city, for which we asked God's blessing that it might be to His own glory and the salvation of souls.

Professor Martcinkovski and his wife, who came just then from Haifa to Jaffa for a series of lectures, were in our midst in this morning's prayer meeting. Many prayers of petition and thanksgiving were offered. We praised our dear Lord that through His children in the far U. S. A. we have the possibility of spreading the Gospel among His people in the Holy Land and in such a way as He Himself used when living on the earth, — through "healing and preaching."

It is interesting that the first cleaning of our clinic rooms was done by our first patient. About a month ago I was called to visit a Jewish man who was ill and almost blind, being infected by trachoma. It gave me great joy to see him so far recovered that he could help us in preparing for the reception of other patients yet to come.

We have now at our disposition a whole floor, — a doctor's room, dressing room, a large veranda which serves us as a waiting room, and other rooms which, if God will enlarge our work, will be utilized for different purposes in connection with our labor in the clinic. It may be that the Lord will enable us to have at least a small pharmacy, for there will be great need of remedies and medical treatments. The inhabitants of the district where our clinic, God willing, will be in operation are very poor and not able to afford for themselves the prescribed medicines, and we ask His children in America to meet at least partly this important need of our work.

In the future, as the Lord will lead us, we are planning to hold meetings in the clinic for the patients or their relatives and friends. The large glassed veranda, which is entirely protected from the outside weather, can always be used as a splendid meeting room, but we will need for this purpose more chairs and benches.

Some brothers and sisters, who know quite well Hebrew or Arabic have willingly agreed to come and help us spiritually by conversations with the patients while they are in the reception room waiting their turn. Some spiritual literature will be placed on the tables for reading, and we ask the readers of *The Harvest Field* to send us, if possible, Christian picture magazines for that purpose (never mind if old ones), and also suitable pictures to put on the walls of the doctor's and waiting rooms. It would be desirable to have such themes as "Christ Healing the Suffering People."

There is still much to write about the clinic, but I hope to do this in following reports. It may be that in the future we shall need a nurse, who should help us and assist in the medical work. Please pray for this also. Let me say that our clinic is located quite near the sea shore, and from the second floor one can see a wonderful picture of

the blue Mediterranean. An agreeable, somewhat salty breeze is always blowing from the sea through the open doors and windows of the veranda.

Some time ago an educated young Jewish fellow about 17 years old flew here from Germany, leaving his parents behind. He came to Palestine and went to work as a laborer in a "Khalutz" or Jewish community near Haifa. I don't know how or where he got a New Testament, but he began to read it, and the Word had a deep influence on him. His comrades remarked it and forbade him to read the Gospel.

At this time he heard of Prof. Martcinkovski, looked for him and came to his home on Mount Carmel. He asked permission to visit the house of Prof. Martcinkowski from time to time in order to be able to read quietly the Gospel. Needless to say that Brother M. not only permitted him, but took advantage of the opportunity to show to this youth "the way of salvation more exactly." The boy began to believe in his Messiah and Saviour, but he was cast out from the Jewish community and lost his job in Haifa. Looking for a new job, he came to Tel-aviv, began to attend our meetings, found a small job in an optical shop. Not being able to pay for lodging from his miniature salary, we offered him to live together with another Jewish young man, who also attends our meetings, in one of the rooms of the clinic. And so they are both under our daily influence. We hope God will give us these two Jewish souls as fruit for eternity.

From the total sum of $180 sent for the clinic we were obliged to pay $150 for six months rent in advance, for such were the conditions imposed by the householder. He must make many alterations for the clinic, including water and electrical installations. For the rest of the means we bought some furniture and paid for the cleaning. The need for furniture, remedies, and instruments is still great. Prof. Martcinkovski, who visited Jaffa a week ago, well knows our needs.

It would be very good if somebody of the brethren of the Fellowship will be able to visit us occasionally here in Palestine, to see the work and then to tell of it to the children of God in the United States. Please pray for us.

In our planning to hold meetings in spaces of the clinic we see the need of chairs and benches costing about $15. The need for instruments is still approximately $50; for tables in the waiting and other rooms, cupboards and closets about $25, and for remedies, treatments, injections, etc., about $15 per month. I take the liberty to say that my allowance of $50 per month is not quite sufficient, for the life here in Palestine is much more expensive than in Prague.

Operation of this medical mission is extremely important, and every item mentioned in Dr. Ewke's report must be provided at once. We ask our readers to pray for these needs and to cooperate financially as they are able.

LETTER FROM THE EAST

Traveling in the Jap-Sino War Zone

C. BADINTZEFF
(*Harbin, Manchuria*)

October 18.

To the American European Fellowship:—

I am informing you that your letter dated August 18 was duly received. This letter of yours brought the sad news about the home going from his labors in God's vineyard of one of His workers, Brother Herbert Hogg. The Lord of all the Harvest took unto Himself a ripe sheaf of wheat from His field! I am asking the Lord that He may fill in this place of His former laborer through His new laborers.

For your information I can say that we are accomplishing our Evangelical Christian labors as before, paying no attention to all the obstacles, which are very many. We are overcoming all the hindrances through faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, Who loved us.

I have recently visited the following cities: Tientsin, Shanghai, Zindao and Darien. I visited all these places as the guest of Peter Dyneka, who gave to me the unexpected joy of visiting these localities and to see our brethren. This joy was mutual, for there were those who for a long time have desired to see me, most especially in Shanghai. In that city I saw large gatherings of believing Chinese people, who are being supported financially by different missions.

Our Russian Evangelical Missions in Shanghai and in other cities are exceedingly poor, and we even do not have the means to rent a small hall for the gatherings, because the Russians are not being supported by other missions.

We are laboring where we are able, but due to the lack of means we are compelled to leave those places where formerly the Gospel was preached, despite the fact that these people are pleading with us not to leave them but to continue to call on them and if only possible, to hold regular meetings.

For some time before we had opportunity to visit these different places and were preaching the Gospel there, but at the present time, in spite of all our desire, we cannot continue the work because the so much needed material help is lacking. But all of this we are putting at the feet of the Lord Jesus Christ.

My age is now sixty-five and I am no longer in a position to do heavy physical labor in order to support myself as I have done largely in the past. Thus I am hardly able to exist without any material support, and if I am to preach the Gospel "the laborer is worthy of his hire." For your help I am in sore need, and as you can see, this is a hindrance to my spiritual work. Looking forward to favorable response to my appeal, I remain,

Yours in the Lord.

Missions In Czechoslovakia

Many Are Baptized and Tracts By the Thousands Reach All Districts

CHARLES AND EDNA LUKESH
(*Czechoslovakia*)

October 18, 1937.

Dear Friends in Christ Jesus:

IN such a busy missionary activity as ours, there is no time to feel lonesome. Rather it is necessary to lay aside even the communications with the friends at Home. However, our work does not make us impervious to impressions, but they have to be subdued to the higher cause. But when, after long years of labor, welcome visitors brighten the routine of daily duties with their presence, it is a sure enough holiday for us. Thus we felt when we were privileged lately to have Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Gaebelein to visit us for a few days. We appreciate their kind interest in the work in Czechoslovakia and that they devoted some of their precious time to us and the work here. The remembrance of their visit will linger long with us and we trust also that the blessing of it will be growing in future. May the Lord prosper them and keep them in health and strength for further usefulness.

As to our activity no figures can give a right estimate as to the actual work done. This is especially the case in our tract work. Figures show a personal monthly distribution of 12 to 15 thousand tracts, in two languages. Six to eight thousand are sent out monthly in various sized packages to 250 addresses all over the country and even abroad. Thirty-five hundred copies of our enlarged bi-monthly edition are being sent to individual addresses. But that is not the end of the work.

It is evident, that the preparation of monthly four page tracts in two languages takes some time, but the correspondence resulting from the distribution takes still more time. Let us give you a glimpse of this line of work, which added to all other work requires really more time than we can give to it.

Received a letter dealing with the distribution of tracts by one of the 250 coworkers in this line of work. Beside the expressions of appreciation etc., the writer asks some questions on such matters as the everlasting life, punishment, annihilation and second chance and if the teachings of Christ are to be all taken as parables. Evidently the result of the various "isms" vigorously propagated. If these inquiries were from one of the vain talkers, who would merely waste our time in debating, we would drop it in the waste basket. But knowing the writer as an honest seeker, we must take time to answer and send him some literature, that will be helpful to him. This is but one of many inquiries and we pray for wisdom to deal with such, for to whom should they turn for light?

How important such answers may be we see from an instance that came to our knowledge a few days ago. We were notified about the decease of one of these voluntary coworkers in the distribution of tracts, and his daughter mentioned with special thanks a card written to her father years ago. In that writing we gave him light on Spiritism and Sabbatism, and the daughter states that she copied that message then verbatim, and still preserves it. She writes that tho herself a believer, she could not have given him such words. Thus we hear sometimes after many years about the work done, and in most cases only eternity will reveal what fruits our efforts bore. We regret our inability to devote more attention to this line of work, as in many cases it means the only possibility of giving light to the seekers.

I would not weary you by recounting the various expressions of thanks, coming from all parts of the country. For instance K. L. mentions his appreciation for the faithful supplying with tracts for over seven years. His prayer is that more workers may be willing to enter the ripe harvest field, the willing labourers being few. There would be enough hirelings, that would consider it a cinch of a job, not caring what the results will be. So much more we do appreciate such volunteer workers, who distribute the tracts prayerfully, from their own interest in the work. Some even send a mite for postage, making it a sure enough work of love for the perishing souls. Thus we are glad to send even 500 on special occasions to such sincere workers.

That the enemy has many henchmen to sow broadcast the pernicious seed, is evident from the inquiries of such, who seek light. After souls are caught in some false teachings and theory, it takes much more work to show them right. Thus we long to even increase the dissemination of good seed, if enabled to do so. It is a marvel to us what the Lord has done with the slender help, that we have been receiving, for this is not a spasmodical work, to make a big show for a season, but regular, progressive work. Have continuous requests that we are unable to fill for tracts that have been issued years ago, and are long out of print. Just had a card requesting six numbers of fine tracts, but how can we supply them, when all below the number 106 are no more

in stock. We are thankful to be able to continue to issue new numbers monthly, for the continuous propagation, and even in that we need prayer for sustaining that work. Some extra funds for the reissuing of at least some of the most important messages would be greatly appreciated.

Since we offer in our tracts, information in regard to salvation, it is but to be expected that we receive requests for Bibles in various forms, and as a sequence are expected to have a depot for selected literature. Many depend on us, since we stand for the truth, to recommend them such literature as would give light on the subject they may be interested in. Only those having some experience in that line can imagine what work that means. It is an added privilege and burden, which we love to meet to the best of our slender abilities, not only in means, but also in workers, helpers. Just the recounting as you have noticed here, must make you think, how can they do all that!! It is a matter of serious concern, as in fact much of these opportunities are beyond our strength and possibilities.

We praise the Lord for consecrated helpers, who devote their spare time to help us, but the one that has devoted voluntarily all her time and health and means, is seriously ill, requiring even some of our attention herself. We can not forsake her, after she has faithfully stood by us for many years. But that makes our request for your prayers so much more urgent. Pray with us, please, for devoted young helpers, who will have the work at heart, no hirelings. They will have to face the task of two difficult languages, besides complicated work otherwise. The material help is also of deep concern, if the work build up in sacrificial way is to prosper and not dwindled down of neglect.

We are standing in momentous days, not knowing how long yet till the night begins, when no man shall work. Thus we would redeem the time while it is day. Thanking you for past prayerful cooperation in this work for the saving of souls, I remain with sincere regards, yours in the Masters glad service,

We regret that this valued worker has at the present time no regular support, but must depend on an occasional gift by our readers. Some individual or society ought to appreciate the privilege of co-operation with Brother Lukesh, long a faithful worker in his native land.

PHILIP MANETZ' LETTER

Bustino, Podk. Rus., Czechoslovakia
Nadrazna 172, Oct. 7, 1937.

IT was very unexpected and sad news to us when we first learned of the death of Rev. Herbert Hogg. When we heard of his illness we were daily praying for his recovery and had every confidence that God would answer our prayer and restore him to normal health and strength. God indeed answered prayer in His own way, and saw fit to call home our dear friend and Brother in Christ. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord" (Isa. 55:8-9.) We have greatly missed his prayers, as well as the encouraging, comforting and exhorting letters which he often had written to us. He was a true servant of Christ, therefore had abundant entrance into His presence. (Mt. 25:21) "His Lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." May God Himself raise the proper man for the vacant place.

I am rooming with a Jewish family and I can witness to the fact "that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge". The old man seventy-four years of age is reading the Talmud day and night, but he is utterly ignorant of the things of God as revealed in the Scripture. I asked him if he knew the meaning of the Passover Lamb in Egypt, and of the various offerings in Leviticus, etc. Evidently he knew nothing. What a pity of the religious world; Satan had blinded them from the purity and simplicity of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and from the matchless free grace of God.

There are hundreds of thousands Jews in Czechoslovakia, and so far as I know there is no Christian work done among the Jews in Carpathian Russia. I noticed there are Christian Jewish Missionaries sent to Poland, why not send some to Carpatho-Russia and begin the work of evangelization among the Jews here? I believe it is God's will that the Jews in Czechoslovakia should hear the Gospel of Christ. We pray God that a Jewish Christian Missionary who knows the Jewish language thoroughly may be sent by the Holy Spirit. I personally believe that Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Miller Missionaries recently sent to Poland would be very well fitted and be used of God among the Jews and Gentiles in Carpatho-Russia. Will you please pray to this end. The door is wide open for the Gospel of Christ in Czechoslovakia; at least at the present time. We should be glad to distribute good sound Jewish Christian tracts among the Jews. If some one desires to send Jewish Christian literature for distribution we suggest the best way to send is through some Bible Society. It will be exempt from the governmental taxation.

We thank God for the great privilege and many opportunities we have had during this summer to witness of God's redeeming love to sinners by preaching the Gospel of Christ. Then we sold a quite large number of Bibles, for the small price just to cover the postage expense. These Bibles we received from Riga, Latvia, one thousand in number, for free distribution. But by the time they reached us we had to pay considerably large duty on them. Therefore it is necessary to charge the small price in order to regain our personal expense. Then we distributed some Bibles and N. T. free which we received from the Russian Bible fund, through Mr. Neprash. And also we distributed many gospels, tracts, and various kinds of Christian literature. May God be glorified in all our efforts to serve Him.

On August 28th we had baptismal service in the village Tereshel. The Lord gave us a very fine day for the occasion; it was warm and sunny all the day. Quite a few believers came from various villages and took part in the meeting by singing hymns and praying. Mr. Rybachuk had charge of the gospel meeting in the open air, while Mr. Kovalchuk and I with other Brethren examined the candidates for the baptism. After we were through with the new candidates we joined Mr. Rybachuk and each took part in preaching the word of God. Then about twelve o'clock we all went to the river. As we got there we found quite a few people already were waiting for us, scattered on the banks.

The meeting was opened with singing the gospel hymns and prayer. Then Mr. Kovalchuk gave a short message from the word of God, and made clear the meaning of the water baptism, and emphasized the necessity of baptism and the importance of it. After that he went down into the river and baptized three precious souls "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." (Mt. 28:19-20.) Then we went back again to our Brother Ficaj's house, where we had the Communion service in the open air. The newly baptized members were received into Christian fellowship. In conclusion we enjoyed fine refreshments which were generously provided by our dear sisters in the Lord. We thank God for abundant blessings of the day. Please pray for the new members that they may grow in grace. (2 Pet. 3:18.)

Thank God for the answered prayers. You recall in my previous letters the requests for prayer concerning the village Ganichy where Satan's stronghold of Russellism is? At present the door is wide open for us in the village. Mr. Celich and his family are gloriously delivered by the truth of the Gospel, and his home is welcome for us and the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please continue to pray for this Brother that he may be used of God as the instrument of the Holy Spirit to deliver many precious souls from the snare of Russellism. Pray for us as we take the Gospel to these people, that we might be channels of God's blessing to them.

We also praise God for the Christian workers which are gradually increasing here. Recently came to us from Bulgaria Brother Dr. Gers with his wife. Mr. Gers is a native of Russia. He received seminary training in Castorica, if I am right. Then by God's providence he with his wife came to Bulgaria, and he taught in the Bible school in Sofia. Last year while Dr. Oswald Smith from Toronto, Canada, was making visits in different countries in Europe he met Mr. Gers, and suggested the large and needy field in Carpatho-Russia. Through much prayer, by God's grace, Mr. and Mrs. Gers are with us. They settled in the city of Mukachevo about 120 miles from Bustino. We thank God for sending them here. Please pray for them that they may be instruments of the Holy Spirit for the salvation of many precious souls in Carpathian Russia. We also received news from Miss M. Selody, who is on the way back to the field. The Lord willing, she expects to resume the work in the orphanage in Neresnice. Please continue to pray for us and God's blessing upon the work which we endeavor to do in His name. (Mt. 28:19-29).

IN THE HUNGARIAN FIELD

By Eugene Nagy
(*Hungary*)

Dear christian friends:

IT was indeed a mournful surprise to me to read of the passing away of our beloved Rev. Hogg. He left us to be greeted, after a busy life for His Master—"Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things; enter thou into the joy of thy Lord". We miss him. But the Lord wanted him!

My work as your self-supporting missionary is going on as usual with blessings of the Lord. The work among the children of the poor lodged rent-free in the old barracks in town had to be temporarily discontinued. This is because the city rented this very large building for other purposes and its former occupants are now scattered in smaller houses. I will now seek out these places and try to find a suitable building for our children's gathering. This place will also serve for evangelistic meetings for adults.

Personal work and distribution of Gospel tracts among all classes and conditions of men is always in order. Farm workers, laborers on the highways, mechanics, teachers and even theological students and ministers all get a serious Gospel message. And the Word does not return unto Him void.

My booklet on christian sociology published in Hungarian some time ago had been the subject of a lecture held by a body of theological students and their professor. In regard to the theme of my booklet I have received most gratifying letters from teachers, ministers, protestant and even Catholic bishops and others in every station in life. I do long to have it in English because I believe even greater blessing would follow. Because of my various missionary activities, time will not permit me to undertake this translation. My work consists of only 80 pages of three and a half by four and a half inches each. Hungarians of literary ability may be found in numbers in America and if any Christian friend should feel moved by the Spirit to have any booklet translated, I will gladly send them a printed copy for that purpose. After being translated, the printing could be done here in Hungary quite cheap. The Lord bless you all!

We hope some reader of *The Harvest Field* will feel led to undertake the production of this new English tract. Please write to the Editor about it.

The Gospel in the Carpathian Mountains

JOHN KOVALCHUK
(*Carpathian Russia*)

AMONG the Russian believers in Europe the baptismal service usually takes place in summer at the riverside. It is always celebrated in the presence of a great deal of people, who come to see how it is observed according to the Word of God. This beautiful Gospel picture reminds us so vividly of the early New Testament times, when John the Baptist baptized in the Jordan those who really repented and believed in the coming Lord as their Saviour and promised Messiah and who had shown the worthy fruits of their repentance, — the picture of the baptism of the Lord Himself and of how the apostles were performing the ceremony. This is also done at the present time in accordance with Christ's command (Mark 16:15, 16). This occasion gives the best opportunity to testify to Christ to many a soul. Thank God for this beautiful ordinance which the Lord gave us to perform.

In spite of difficulties and hardships in the Lord's work here in Carpathian Russia, nevertheless the Lord is blessing our labor and allowing us to see the fruits of the work. This last summer sixteen souls gave themselves definitely to Christ and were baptized and joined the church. Most of this number were young people.

One baptismal service took place by the river in the town called Ugla, in the presence of a great multitude of people. Two years ago we had our first baptismal service in this town. At that time we were in danger of being stoned by the wild crowd of people, but the Lord so wonderfully protected us and helped us to testify of Him to many. At the time of this recent service the people behaved themselves entirely different during the ceremony. It was testified to and proved from the Word of God that this was all done according to Scripture and that we should obey the Lord's command instead of man's orders. For the Lord says:—

"Cursed be the man that trusteth in man and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord. For he shall be like the heat in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh, but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited. Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when the heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit." (Jer. 17:5-8.)

The people listened to all that was read and to the preached word with great attention and watched all that was done with much interest. Not a word of contradiction was heard from the crowd, but almost all were listening with consent. We noticed that there are many souls in this town who are reading the Word of God and are acquainted with its teaching.

After the baptismal service we went back to a house to observe the Lord's Supper. The crowd followed us to see how that ordinance would be done according to God's Word. We had no room in the house for all who came. As the weather was fine, we had our service outside in the shade of the large trees. During this service we also had an unusual opportunity to testify much to a large crowd.

Beside the peasants, there were also the town's intelligencia, such as public school teachers and others holding state positions. They all listened with much interest and consent. At the end of the service many Bibles and New Testaments were sold and many tracts and Gospels were given away free of charge.

May the Lord bless all that was done and the seed sown during this our busy day of labor for Him. The sun was setting when we were crossing the mountains and rivers on our way home to Bustino, rejoicing and thanking the Lord for the wonderful opportunity He gave us to glorify His holy name, and for the souls that gave themselves to Christ, promising Him to be faithful, and joined the church.

Please pray for them all and for us, that we may be able to lead many souls more to Christ our Saviour.

BY THE BLACK SEA

BY ILIE HAMALUIC
(*Roumania*)

Dear Fellow Believers:—

BECAUSE of the many difficulties which have crossed my pathway during the past few months, I have been unable to write you. But, knowing you are interested in our work here, I must tell you that God is blessing us in spite of persecutions which come from many sides. We are still under a cloud and do not know what the result of the recent orders from the Ministry of Religion will be, but our trust is in God. We are always busy, even though we cannot visit many villages. There is still considerable work to be done on the building. Ten new members were admitted to the Siret meeting by baptism just before our Sister Hill left us. We miss Sister Hill very much indeed, and only now realize what a great part she took in every branch of the work. May God bless us all as His children and enable us to go on. Yours in Christ.

The Third Group At Radosc

By F. A. McGaw
(*Poland*)

VILLA BETHEL is a property at Radosc owned by the *American European Fellowship*. It has been used for "Fresh Air" or "Colony" work since the days of Miss Grace Mott and Miss Jean Rhode. Groups of Jewish children have been taken there every summer, each group for about two weeks. This summer Miss Christoffersen had five groups— about 170 boys and girls in all—and also a small group of mothers with little ones to close the season. Six acres of lawn and garden, trees and shrubs, walks and drives make a fine place for poor little city children to enjoy God's sunshine and great outdoors even for two weeks!

The great, old house, with its bright, airy rooms and clean beds, furnishes a wonderful contrast to the filthy barracks or the dark, smelly basements and all that goes to make up life in the Warsaw ghetto. The large south veranda is where they eat the nourishing soup, potatoes, carrots, cabbage, and bread and butter, with meat three times a week. On this wonderful veranda, also, they gather for meetings when they recite the verses which they have recently committed to memory. Here they sing the blessed gospel songs, many of which are melodies and translations of the gospel songs we sing in America. This summer the children learned a good many English choruses, of which they seemed to specially love such as these: "Give Me Oil in My Lamp" and "Jesus Never Fails," the latter being sung in both English and Yiddish. This summer they also learned the chorus, "I Am Glad I Belong to Jesus," singing it correctly, I think, in seven languages: English, Hebrew, Yiddish, Polish, German, French, and Russian. How they can switch from one language to another so easily, I do not understand, but the Jews seem to be natural linguists and are good musicians.

When the second group of children were here, almost all boys, I said, "I believe I love boys better than girls." Then, when the third group, girls, were here, it seemed to me I loved the girls more, so I figure it out 50 - 50. But oh, how I do love these Jewish children. I will tell you about a few of these.

E—— is about fifteen and has rather a plain, serious face, though she can smile and look happy, too. She gives good evidence of being genuinely born again and has indicated a purpose of dedicating her whole life to Jesus Christ. She is an example to the unsaved girls. She reads Yiddish distinctly and recites whole sections of Scripture. But I wish you could hear her pray! I cannot understand many of her words, but when in her prayer she often says, "Oh, dear Lord!" it goes right to my heart, as I know it comes from hers. One morning this week, she came to my room and, with tears in her eyes, said, "Mr. McGaw, pray for me.". I prayed, of course, and now I pass on her request to you.

T——is a bright Jewish girl of sixteen. Her family seems to be of the better class and her father is strictly orthodox. At first, he positively forbade her coming to the mission, telling her that if she insisted on going to the mission she could just go and stay there and not come home any more. Gradually his opposition lessened and she came quite often to the meetings. When the groups were being made up for Radosc, she very much wished to go and Miss Christoffersen greatly desired to have her go. But Daddy said No! Finally it was arranged that she might come out on Sundays, which made us all very happy.

One Sunday afternoon we had an informal meeting out under the noble pine trees. We sat on the soft carpet of pine needles and moss and had a blessed meeting. On the way home, I saw Miss Christoffersen and T—— with their arms around each other. As they walked along, T——said; "I wish I could go to Bible School and get ready to work for Jesus!" Last night she was here in the small group and gave this testimony: "When I used to pray, God and Jesus seemed so far off, away up in heaven, but now, when I pray, Jesus is right here with me." I asked her whether she read the Bible, and she said she did not have one. Then I suggested that she should at least have a New Testament. I was told that she had been given one, but that her father had put it into the fire and burned it. But T——says her sins are all forgiven and she has Jesus in her heart. She is a beautiful daughter of Abraham. Will you pray for her?

M——is a girl from the better class. She is a beautiful child, with light hair and a pair of merry, twinkling blue eyes. Her family lived in Germany until the trouble came. In the town where they lived, her father was one of the heaviest tax-payers, but now they have nothing. Her mother is in Warsaw, but her father is in Sweden, not being able to get into Poland.

One night I talked to the children on the veranda about the New Birth. That night, when M——said "Good night" to Miss Christoffersen, she asked if she could not come to her room some time and pray. (Miss Christoffersen takes them singly, or in small groups, to her room for heart to heart talks and prayer.) In my poor German, I asked her yesterday whether her sins are forgiven, to which she replied, "Ich weiss nicht" (I do not know). This bright, attractive girl of about twelve—may she have a place on your prayer list?

H——is a dwarf and not well, so, though she appears to be about nineteen, she may be younger. She has a sweet face and seems to be a true believer, praying when opportunity is given. She was at Radosc with the second group and also the third. One evening she quoted, I believe in Yiddish, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matt. 11: 28).

D——seems to be about seventeen, a tall, beautiful girl with black hair and large, dark eyes. She listens intently when Miss Christoffersen is speaking, and seems earnest and sincere. Her father died a week or two before she came to Radosc. I scarcely believe she is saved, though she told me one evening that she had Jesus in her heart. This morning, when the third group were starting back to the city, she promised with tears in her eyes to meet me in heaven.

Do you believe that God, who watches over His Word to fulfill it, will let all the good seed die that has so faithfully and lovingly been sown in these dear children's hearts? Do you believe it has been in vain? Nay, verily! You dear home people, who have been brought up on Bible verses, gospel songs, and prayers, who have stood by so faithfully in gifts and intercession, you, too, will have a share in the reaping time when we all see Jesus!

Romans 8:28

Every one is much better here. Mr. McGaw is up and going as before but with such a deep burden for a real Holy Ghost revival in Warsaw! The Lord has placed such a burden on the right one, I believe, and we are praying confidently that God will work a mighty revival here for His own glory. He is able and it has already begun in our hearts which is the place it has to begin. Won't you folks there join us also. We need your help. Miss Christoffersen spoke for a few minutes to the meeting today the first time in weeks. It's been a hard time for her. Several times she's been up but had to go back to bed, but this time the Lord has raised her up and is restoring her strength. I wish you could see her speak! Her whole face lights up with a real love for those souls to whom she is speaking. So we have much to praise God for her also. He's so patient and kind to us.

We had a fine, but short, visit with Mr. Stettler the other day. I'm surely glad I met him for it was a real blessing. He is being used by God in a real way here in his Bible Conference and gospel work. The peculiar thing was that a soldier came up just after Mr. Stettler left. I answered the door and he tried German and Polish but I was "slightly" deaf to both, so just showed him in. After the meeting he told Mr. Schuman his testimony (One could tell during the meeting he was a Christian) and we found out that he was one of those converted thru Mr. Stettler's ministry. He was serving his army term (had just two more weeks to go) and was evidently being true to Christ. The people who are investing prayer and money in Mr. Stettler surely are receiving dividends. He also told us of several native workers cut off from support and now getting about $7.00 a month or so. We surely have much to praise the Lord for, don't we, for He has so wonderfully met our every need. I praise God for His goodness to me and to us all over here.

The language is still here! But not in my head. I'm driving my teacher frantic I'm afraid with my dumbness but there are some sounds I just simply cannot seem to make, so please pray that the Holy Spirit will loosen my tongue that I may speak forth the wonderful things of God in the Polish tongue (Col 4: 3-4). He can do it. And then please pray also that I may be able to study diligently. I can't seem to find a good method of really studying. The words and sounds are so strange they easily slip away, but God is able. I praise Him more and more for it. I was thinking how hard it was one day and I ran across the verse "But I will hope *continually,* and will yet praise thee more and more." I took it, for it was a real message to me. But the next day or so I went for a lesson and I prayed the Lord that I might praise Him more and more. Well that day my teacher told me I could learn to speak correctly but never well, for I couldn't hear or speak some of the Polish sounds and to make a long story short the whole lesson was a mess. Was I blue! Then all of a sudden I remembered my prayer of the morning and praised the Lord for it. He just put me to the test and I'm afraid I didn't come out so good, but Praise God, by His grace "I will hope continually and will yet praise Him more and more." He's such a patient, kind, loving Father, isn't He? Even to such foolish children as we!

Armistice Day (November 11) was a real holiday here for it is Poland Independence Day, and as it was only nineteen years ago they really keep it. I went to my lesson that day tho and as I walked along I gave a tract to an orthodox man. I noticed a young fellow behind me watching but I went on. I gave out another tract and this time he was right up with me, so I showed him one and altho he did not look Jewish he seemed to be able to read it, so I gave it to him. He read a little and I walked faster, but he kept right by my side. Then he tried to ask me about the tract — another one of those hard times when some one actually wants to ask about these things and the Curse of Babel comes between. He walked along with me tho and then I arrived at my destination, but asked him as well as I could if he would read a gospel and gave him one of Matthew and left. I praise God for the printed page. Please pray He may use it constantly to reach these people. But there I was deaf and dumb. Then coming back I gave a tract to an old orthodox man. He took it and I went on. All of a

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The Work In Poland Grows

A Missionary Pastor Writes To Our Field Secretary Hunter

By B. Bajko
(*Poland*)

Pinsk, July 6.

Dear Dr. Hunter:—

Peace be unto you!

IT IS a great joy to me to write you a few words. First of all I thank you for your prayers for me and for the support you have been sending me. I thank you for the support I have already received this year. May the Lord reward you abundantly for all you do and sacrifice for me and the Lord's work in our land.

Having returned from abroad with a chorus, I came to my own native place of Targoszyce, near the city of Pinsk. There on May 3 and 4 we had a District Evangelistic Conference. As it was the Russian Easter holiday many people came from near and far and filled the large Gospel Hall. For two days we were enjoying the great blessing from above. There I met some members of the Pinsk Church Council, who asked me whether I would like to take a pastoral work in their church. They invited me to their church session in Pinsk on May 16 and the Church accepted me as their minister. The minutes of this church session together with the petition were sent to the Governor of Polesie and I was registered there as a legal presbyter of the Pinsk Church of Christ. Now the Pinsk Church has a large territory of work. It has Mission Stations over seventy-five kilometers away from Pinsk. I need your prayers, dear Dr. Hunter, for this great work.

On May 23 we had an Evangelistic Conference in Losicze about fifteen kilometers from Pinsk. There was a large crowd of people. Eight souls were converted. On June 6 I visited the Nowy Dworce, where we had very blessed meetings.

On June 10 the Russian Orthodox Church of the Ascension in the village of Stawok, fifteen kilometers north of Pinsk, celebrated its church holiday. Large crowds of people came to this celebration. While the mass service was administered in the church, on the outside there was going on a "fair of vanity" at full speed. There was tilting, musical ride; traders in icons, crosses, prayerbooks; sellers of candies, lemonade, ice cream and one hundred other articles. Using the opportunity, the Targoszyce church band, several young people and I came to this village and also had our Gospel meeting near the Russian Orthodox church. Many people came to our meeting and heard the Gospel songs and the Gospel music and also the preaching of the Word of God. It was a wonderful meeting. We sold twelve Russian Bibles and forty-five new Testaments. Also we distributed over 1,000 of tracts published by the American Tract Society, which we received from Kobryn We believe that our labor there will bring forth great results. We have already there eighteen believers who regularly gather together for prayer and reading the Word of God, and we believe that there will be developed a large church.

The last part of the month of June I worked in places surrounding Pinsk and also attended the evangelistic meeting in the Baranowicze district, where I served with the Word of God and baptized several persons.

There was a reopening or dedication service in our Pinsk Church on July 4 after the remodeling of the Prayer House. Brother George Bajko, pastor of Targoszyce Church, and others served with the Word of God. We experienced especially a great blessing while we were participating in the communion service. The saints were strengthened in their inner life and sinners were saved.

Last Saturday, July 10, the brass band of the Targoszyce Church, Rev. George Bajko and I went on the bicycles (as only one half of the members of the band have the bicycles therefore two men used one bicycle) to the village of Bobryk, a distance of seventy kilometers. The road was sandy so with great difficulty we reached the place on the following Sunday morning. Having taken a rest for a little and having strengthened our physical bodies with food, the orchestra played two Gospel hymns and the house all at once was filled with people. We started the meeting and the people with contrite hearts listened to the preaching of the Word of God.

Then we went to the river and a great multitude came thither as in the days of John Baptist. On the bank of the river under the canopy of blue heaven and the shining sun I delivered a message about the meaning and necessity of holy baptism. Thousands of people listened to the Word of God with great veneration and I felt the heavenly blessing was coming upon them. Then several persons entered the river and were buried with the Lord in baptism. After the baptismal service we went back to the hall and had the communion service, at which three souls gave themselves wholly unto the Lord. Praise be unto His Holy name.

It is impossible for me to describe with a pen all the blessings I had; we will talk the things over when we will meet again in a brighter land. Meanwhile I thank you once more for your care over me, your prayers and love. I will close with the Word of God:

"For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward His name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister". (Heb. 6: 1).

May our blessed God be with you in all you do for His glory. I am your least brother in Christ.

Brother Stettler Asks For Prayer

His Active Ministry Covers Wide Fields And Much Seed Sowing

By Fred Stettler
(*Poland*)

Plock, Oct. 6th.

Very dear Friends:

BY the grace of God we continue to send forth the message of His loving kindness. It is grace that called us, grace that sent us and grace that keeps us on the field. We take it also as the gift of God moves friends here and there to lend us a helping hand in a practical way. It is always like a periodical confirmation that God sent us and maintains us. We were recently moved to consider Ps. 104:28-31. When He opens His hand there is abundance and when He chooses to close it there is trouble. After all, it is a wonderful loving kindness that has kept us thus far. How dependent we are in every way! Permit me to thank you one and all who have been instruments in the hand of God supplying our daily needs here on the field.

Since returning to Poland again we sought to visit every portion of the large field. The nearest meeting is about a half hour walk from us. Another meeting is some 5 kilometers, one some 8 kilometers, a third some 9 kilometers and then there are some of 25 kilometers distant. It usually takes four to six weeks until I come into the same meeting back again. In the meanwhile the brethren of the meetings must take care of the work. So you can imagine how difficult it is to really build the church. Outside of that I must leave this field every once in a while to visit more distant places that get twice a year or as in some cases only once a year a visit from a preacher.

The only way out of this difficulty we see is in prayer. We must ask God to send forth laborers from among the natives. Many have gone forth, but there the second difficulty comes. The work is as yet not self supporting and foreign countries have completely cut off all support. Thus when young men would like to devote their full time for the work of God there is no support forthcoming. The meetings do about all in their ability. From year to year we build here or there new prayer halls and houses and thus far the meetings have carried the whole costs of building.

Last Sunday we had one of the annual Young People's conferences. They came from every direction and it was impressive to listen to their testimonies. Often the whole congregation was moved to tears when they told how they had found the Lord and were saved out of a life of sin and shame. There was such a fervency that the conference speakers found hardly time to say anything more. These simple testimonies made a deep impression upon the audience and they were far more valuable than some lengthy sermon. Some of these young people had to suffer severe persecution, but were happy in Jesus Christ, their Saviour. Many testified under tears what it has meant to them to be a child of God. How we yearn after more such youth. May God grant here and there real awakenings among the young.

At the present we have an edition of wall mottoes in print. While in Switzerland we found in a meeting room in a small town far up in the mountains a wonderful wall motto. Perhaps it can be 50 years old or still more. We now have it printed. From hundreds of Christian homes it will soon preach the whole plan of salvation.

As in previous years we have been asked to print again the German, Russian and Polish edition of the Berean booklets. Thousands in Poland, Switzerland and other countries learn these verses throughout the year. Sunday Schools, Young Peoples Societies, orphanages, deaconess homes learn from week to week Scripture verses. It is the Word and the Word alone and that is what counts. Only recently I had the opportunity to experience the might of the Word. I was repeatedly invited to interested inquirers in their home. I used my Bible to support all the various items we talked about and they were amazed to find a Christian who was able to use and know his Bible. At the end they were full of self-accusation for not knowing Scripture while seeking and dabbling for years in all kinds of errors. After all, it does not matter what we think or say or feel but: "Thus saith the Lord God!"

May I yet appeal to you to pray with us for the following items:

1. The Evangelization's Bible courses to be held this fall.
2. Our spiritual and physical fitness and health for the work.
3. For Brother Kramer, whom we have written about. He has been accepted in the oldest and most thorough Bible School in Switzerland.
4. For the indigenous churches here in Poland. Workers and work must get independent financially from foreign support, as more than a dozen countries have closed down all export of legal tender.
5. Pray, too, for the badly needed Bible School in Poland.
6. For true reviving among the children of God.

More News From Radosc

Beginnings In Service By Willing Workers

By Karl Faulkner
(*Poland*)

I am glad to have the privilege of working with such a woman of God as Miss Christoffersen. We surely praise God for raising her up, for you can imagine how necessary she is here. God is faithful! How He proves it here in Poland!

Mr. McGaw also has been a real blessing to all here, and the Lord is using him—but, friends, pray for him. He needs strength and wisdom from above to go on in his God-appointed task.

Mrs. Miller is busy distributing tracts, the work she loves so much. I'll let her tell about her first encounter with a policeman—and she spoke no Polish! The Lord was faithful, however, and had one in the crowd that gathered who spoke English, and, as she had her proper papers, everything was fine.

I can't praise God enough for this great privilege of serving Him in this dark land. It's wonderful to have fellowship with the Living God and serve Him. Everywhere here I see the cross—on the church steeple and on the wayside shrines with their figure of the crucified Christ. Everywhere I see evidence of "religion," but not of real Christianity. Jew and Gentile in this land know not the Scriptures, but are following the precepts of men.

I gave my first Jewish tract to an old, white-haired Jewish man in orthodox dress. They are the ones who have made the deepest impression on me, for these old men have followed their teachings faithfully all their lives and have "hoped" that through their good works they might atone for their sins, and here they are at death's door—lost! Facing eternity without God, for they know not the living Christ, who died for sin and rose again for the justification of His people. The only Christ they know is that image and picture they see on every side, to which the "Christians" bow. Naturally, they are deeply prejudiced, and only God can work with them. How they need the Lord Jesus! The verses in Isaiah 59, which I read tonight, surely present a picture of these depressed looking and yet haughty Jews.

Verse 9, beginning with the clause, "We wait for light, but behold obscurity," and on to and including verse 11, presents such a picture as we see here. Many of these Jews, though professing to have light, know the emptiness of Judaism. They wait for the light, but behold—Christianity, yes, but the Christianity of Rome with her idols and pictures to worship. They truly behold only obscurity around them. But the Lord Jesus loves them—poor, despised, and hated, yes, and proud and hating in return. He loves them, and if we are faithful, and you folks at home are faithful in real intercession for Israel, some of these precious souls are going to find the Lord Jesus, for God has His remnant among these people. Praise His Name for that, but oh, the need of laborers! When you pray, please remember, too, the Lord's command to pray the Lord of the harvest to thrust forth laborers into His harvest field.

The other day, a young American lady, who is working in Carpathian Russia, paid us a visit. She said there are 500,000 Jews there—quite orthodox—and practically no work being done among them! Is there a need? Yes, on every hand, and only God can meet it, for He knows where the laborers are. We have the light, and these people need the light. The only thing for us to do is to carry them the light, depending on you at home, by your earnest, effectual intercession, to keep us a *burning* and a *shining* light here in the midst of this dense darkness. Will you do it? We depend on God, and God depends on you to ask Him for the strength, messages, blessings, and all that we need. I know you will not fail us or Him!

I have a regular language teacher now, and the Lord is helping. I'm beginning to get a small grasp of the language, for which I praise Him, but it is very trying at times. The other night I gave a tract to a young army officer in the train. He read it, and then, a little later, he moved over and tried to talk to me about it, for he seemed depressed and really wanting to know. He had Polish and German, and I had English—three perfectly good languages—but the curse of Babel was upon us and we could not understand each other. I finally made it clear that I wanted him to get a New Testament, and he wanted to know the cost. I tried to get his address in order to send him one, but he could not understand. My stop came then and I had to leave him. A seeking soul, a seeking Saviour, and a broken link! It's such a helpless feeling, but God will bring that boy through, I know, for He hears and *answers* prayer.

It's the same on Wednesday, when I'm supposed to be in charge here. The last time, however, I got the men to understand something of what I wanted, for I can now say, at least: "Please have a seat" and "Please, men, read the Bible." That helps some. Then, too, I have found that hands speak in any language. If it were not for the fact that so much depends on it—life or death to these poor, lost souls—it would be really funny. You see from this how much I need prayer for the language. The sounds are so absolutely strange, with such peculiar combinations, that some almost seem at first to paralyze my throat, but He who spoke in tongues through His people at Pentecost can loosen a tongue to speak for Him today. Please pray!

Pauline Dimkova Nikoff Returns Home

Her Husband a Candidate For Missionary Labor in the Bulgarian Field

By Pauline Dimkova Nikoff
(*Bulgaria*)

Sofia, Sept. 14.

My Dear Friends:—

A WEEK AGO I arrived safely in my lovely homeland — Bulgaria. My journey to America and back home was certainly a most wonderful and happy one. Praise the Lord! The four months spent in your beautiful country passed so quickly that I got a feeling that the journey was not a real one, but a happy rare dream. To attend the World's Convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union in the capital city of the United States was not only no ordinary privilege, but a high joy and satisfaction. For the goal of this convention was "A liquorless world" based upon a common faith that "through prayer all things are possible to those who believe."

I was doubly grateful to attend this convention because it gave me a chance to see again all my American personal friends after ten years of separation; also for doing deputation work in behalf of our missionary labors in Bulgaria. Now, after my traveling is ended, I can say sincerely that these four months were richly blessed and of great value for the work and myself.

I went through outstanding Christian experiences, full of wonderful thrills, in constant dependence on and communion with God, whose presence and guidance in a very special way I felt. They were my very strength and life. Not once, but many times during these happy days I felt that truly "my cup runneth over." Rich and heavenly blessings were showered upon me and my work. And what a joy it was when men and women, girls and boys, after my humble missionary message and personal testimony, led by the Holy Spirit tested the wonderful saving power of the Lord and their faith was strengthened and devotion renewed. These moments were the climax of my happiness, and I felt that really my journey was worth while.

Believe me, friends, it was not easy for me to leave home, and especially a mother's first-born child, and to undertake such a long and hard journey. Only my Lord and Redeemer knew my anguish and fears, my sleepless nights spent actually in prayer. On my knees I found power to stand, to be quiet and to go on in the Lord's mission on this long journey. Many good friends of mine criticised me for leaving behind such a small baby, but they no doubt failed to get the vision of a commission from above and have never experienced what it means to leave yourself fully in the Lord's hands and to be ready to do His will even when humanly speaking the thing which He wants us to do seems to us impossible. Really, the Lord tested not only my faith, but my devotion. But, praise the Lord, that when He tests us He also gives us power to overcome all things through Him. Now truly and continually I can say, "All things are possible through Christ." And there is the Saviour's promise: "He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me, and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me," plainly telling us that the Lord and His Kingdom should be first in our lives and thus we shall be happy and victorious.

I feel I will make a great mistake if I do not express my hearty gratitude to all the friends in Chicago, Washington, Philadelphia, New Brighton and New York, for their ceaseless assistance, both spiritual and material; and for the sacrificial friendship, encouragement, love and shelter which they gave to me in a Christ-like lovely manner. Oh, may God bless you all abundantly and give you in return a thousand fold!

Also I must give thanks to all ministers and to the churches where I was privileged to speak about our work in Bulgaria. My constant prayer is that the Lord may bless all these servants of His and the churches and missionary societies with a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit, giving you a new and great spiritual revival that His Name may be glorified; also that your missionary vision may be enlarged and your national prosperity increased in all directions.

I trust that you will be interested when I tell you that I found everybody at home well. My baby had grown and begun to walk and to speak. Two long articles have already been printed in one of our newspapers about my work and visit to the United States. Just now I am working upon my messages which I wish to deliver all over our country during my next missionary trip. I need your prayers.

My soul has been rejoiced by the happy fact that my husband has received a definite call from God for full time work in the Lord's vineyard. He gave up his secular position and is joining me in the work. The additional support needed for his full time ministry is not yet found, but our Master is able to help us, for He has said: "I will be with you and will not leave you." Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow, for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself."

All prayers in behalf of these matters are heartily accepted. Sincerely yours in the Lord.

Life Story of A New Field Worker

By Lub. Nickoff
(*Bulgaria*)

LUBOMIR NIKOFF

November 2, 1937.
Sofia, Bulgaria.

My dear friends,

THROUGH all my life I have searched the Eternal God's Truth. My good parents, although Greek Orthodox Christians, did not give me that Christian training which will help me to find my Lord and Saviour. My childhood and boyhood I spent as a humble servant in the Greek Orthodox church. For many years as Samuel I took care of the temple in my own village. What joy it was for me to clean the church, to light the many little image-lamps and to take care all day of the burning candles in it. But I knew nothing of the Lord and His saving power. One day I found one verse of the Bible. It made great impression and soon after that I bought for myself a Holy Bible and began to read this book of Books. I confess that many times I could not understand its deep meaning.

Being the first and the oldest child in our home (my dear mother had nine children, who are all living today happily), I had to stop my education and to help my father in finding our daily expenditure. Three years after that, one day I left my home and little village and went to a city in South Bulgaria to prolong my education. I found myself in this big city alone, without money and friends.

One day when I was passing through a street I heard beautiful singing, and I saw that many people were entering a small house from where the cheerful singing was coming. A wonderful power made me to follow the people and before I knew what was happening with me I found myself in. Here for the first time I heard the blessed Gospel preached by a protestant minister. My soul began to seek the great Shepherd, but still I did not know Him as I should. It was not enough only to go to church. Years after that I came to Sofia, the capitol of our Country.

One day—a happy day for me—I met my wife. She was then a girl, but a different one from all other girls whom I have met in my life. She told me all her wonderful work of her faith and about Her wonderful Saviour. Very soon I began to feel a great love toward her and by much prayer and by the Grace of God I owned her heart and we got married. From the very beginning of our acquaintance and our family life she revealed to me the plan of salvation. I heard The Master's voice and accepted Him as my own Saviour and I dedicated my life to Him.

From this time we began to serve Him together. It was my great privilege to help her in the wonderful missionary work which she does. I was doing my secular work, but let me confess to you that I was not happy in my occupation. Many times I felt that like Jonah I am running from the presence of the Lord and His mission for myself. But He found me and spoke to my soul very gently and called me to His service. And with Paul I could say that I was not disobedient to the Heavenly vision. I accepted with great joy His High Calling and with my precious wife we dedicated our lives unto Him anew. I gave up my secular occupation and joined her in the work. Praise His Name.

Now we are working together. We try by the Lord's power to enlarge the field of our work although with hardships and difficulties. The Lord is our strength and hope He has promised to be with us. Our warm prayer is to make us a great blessing to our country men and to spread the Kingdom of God in our beautiful but poor Land.

Bulgaria needs the Bible; needs Christ and faithful, true disciples who will preach the Living Christ.

Pray for the Lord's work in Bulgaria and for us. May His will be done and His Name magnified.

Sincere greetings to all friends in the Board and to all people who are supporting us morally and financially. May God bless them most abundantly.

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THE WORK IN POLAND

(*Continued from page* 12)

sudden I heard shouting behind me and there he was! Face as red as fire and tearing up the tract, shouting all the time. I just tipped my hat to him and left for I couldn't understand him. But there one sees the two classes in Old Israel today. The one group so open the other so prejudiced. Please pray for both groups. Especially those who are so antagonistic for they have real convictions and if won for Christ would use the same force for Him even as the Apostle Paul. How we need prayer! Only our God can break the bar of iron that bars the way. Only He can lift the veil from the blinded eyes of these poor people and He works as we pray — isn't it so!

I must close — it's nearly eleven p.m. and morning comes soon. Only four p.m. Saturday in Philadelphia. May He guide, bless and use you all. Num. 6:24-26 to you and Mrs. Hogg.

In Albania On The Adriatic

An Introduction from Chicago—Two Letters from the Missionaries

THE ALBANIAN MISSION IN CHICAGO
By Paul V. Rado

Chicago, October 19.

Beloved Christian Brethren:—

THe sudden passing away of our beloved Christian Brother Hogg was indeed a shock to us; still at this very moment we know he is at home in glory resting with the saints that went before us. We as children of God loved Brother Hogg while he was in the midst of us, for he was indeed a loyal friend to us, even though we never met him face to face.

The little missionary work which we have started among the Albanian people in the city of Chicago is largely possible because of the support we received from time to time from that beloved man of God. In all our correspondence with great patience and kindness he would give us the proper answer, so that we all would feel pleased and satisfied.

We pray for the brethren of the *American European Fellowship,* that our Heavenly Father may bless you abundantly and comfort you with the Holy Spirit, that you may be able to carry on this precious work of the ministry until the Lord comes.

We have two young missionaries to our country of Albania, and they surely are a blessing unto us and to our country also; so we pray that they may reach our nation and that our Heavenly Father may use them in a marvelous way to evangelize our people with the precious Gospel of salvation and peace.

Pray also for the ministry that our Heavenly Father has given us in this city, to testify to the Albanian people and declare unto them also the powerful Gospel of Christ. I am doing personal work among the Albanian people, and after five years of prayer and hard labor now at last the dear Lord has opened a way so that we can have a grammar school in which to teach the Albanian children the language of Albania. I am working twelve hours a day, but as soon as I come home I rush out again, going from house to house amongst our people, to tell them about our Christ and His love.

Therefore, beloved Christian brethren, we never had very much opportunity to get acquainted with many missionaries in this city of ours. Brother Nicholas Lasko, my co-worker, a beloved young and true child of God, is a student in the Moody Bible Institute, and now has advanced so that the Lord can use him to minister to the world about Albania and all the needs of it.

Pray for us and pray for this work that the Lord has given unto us, that He may use us for His honor and glory. Pray for the missionaries in our country of Albania, Brother Jaques and his family and Brother Konrad and his dear wife. We also pray without ceasing for the American European Fellowship, and we thank our Heavenly Father for it, for it is indeed for Christian Oneness and Evangelization. Yours, in His Name.

IN THE ALBANIAN FIELD

By Arthur J. Konrad
(*Albania*)

BY the time you read this we shall have been in Albania one year. What that year, and especially the months since we last wrote, have meant to us is hard to describe in so brief a letter.

The summer was full of new experiences for us. Most interesting of all was the colportage work. Jean could have no direct part in that work, of course, and yet she was able to go with us on several occasions, and found other ways of being helpful. In the course of the summer, we visited twenty-four villages (assisted by young men from here) and were thus able to put at least a small portion of the Word into the hands of a great number of people.

Four times we pitched our colportage stand in the Kortcha market place and rubbed elbows (later flea bites) with farmers from all over this plain, so that we could reach them, if only with the printed Word. Once we were able to go to the market place of Pogradec, a strategic center twenty-eight miles from here, and later on we arranged two meetings in a large theatre there. Twice we have followed the crowds to their Orthodox Saints' Day celebrations, and have been able to distribute tracts freely among these people, who are outwardly religious, yet far from the truth.

Incidentally, we have come to see more of village life. If Kortcha is modernized and progressive (and it is), the villages certainly are not. Illiteracy is common. Many of those people can never be reached by anything but the spoken Word, and then only with much patience.

On all these occasions we have had good opportunity of meeting Albania face to face. Not only the poor and middle classes, but we have been privileged to meet men of authority and influence, and Mr. Jacques has had occasion to deal with at least a few concerning their salvation. Being still in the "no speakee" stage, I was able to say but little, except when some English or German

speaking individual came to us. The most challenging of such experiences came only two weeks ago, when I met an educated young Moslem, who has promised to come for more literature and a longer talk, later.

Rebuffs have been frequent, and some have taken the tracts only with a sneer, yet we have great satisfaction in knowing that we have given out a powerful weapon of God's own choosing, one which can pierce the prejudices of human hearts far better than we ever could. Our last possible effort in open-air tract distribution for the season will come, the Lord willing, the week of November 28 to December 4, when Albania will celebrate its twenty-fifth year of independence from Turkey, and when Kortcha will be crowded with people from surrounding villages. We shall be glad for the assurance that you are making the results of this colportage work a definite part of your intercession for us.

Ambassadorship for Christ is a noble calling, yet it brings one into most unusual and humbling situations. We seldom encounter open hatred. More often we find suspicion to be the attitude toward us. And when one comes to understand more of the back-handed way of dealing, so prominent in politics and ordinary life in this section of the world, one realizes how great are the barriers to be overcome.

Thus far we do not have the whole Bible printed in Albanian. We have eight old Testament books and the New Testament, and the remainder has been translated but never published, both because of lack of funds and also because it was felt that the dialect used was too old. Prospects for a new translation and for a complete Bible in Albanian are not very favorable at present.

Language study is growing more interesting. Thus far we have had only a small part in the Sunday School, but even that has helped us to be more bold in using what little Albanian we know. Often this summer, especially when our teacher left for an extended vacation and when so many other things crowded study into the background, we were almost tempted to envy those new missionaries in older, larger fields, where a language school is part of the equipment or where study is planned and more effective. We hope, by the end of our first year of study (Jan. 1), to be conversant with these people on more subjects than weather and general health.

Several keen disappointments have come to us since we last wrote. The forced dismissal of our native preacher made the burden of the work heavier on the rest of us, but we regretted his leaving even more because of all we had hoped to see as a result of his ministry. Even then we had been encouraged in the hope of having another native worker in the person of Koci, a young convert of several years' standing, who had shown his willingness to be a true disciple by his baptism in August, and who was preparing to go to the Bible Institute near Paris. You can imagine our disappointment when, after all his equipment had been made ready, when arrangements for his work at the school had been made (he was to earn most of his way), he lost courage, in the face of his fanatical mother's threats, and remained here. Pray that the Lord will raise up others who, with courage and full assurance of His faithfulness, will dare to become preachers and evangelists here.

Our city has been agog with excitement. Three of the "princesses" (really the king's sisters) have been on a good-will tour of their country, and visited Kortcha for four days. We wish you might have seen the elaborateness of the welcome accorded them. It seemed as though nothing had been spared in an effort to show loyalty and devotion. Shops were closed, houses and streets were decked with flags and evergreen boughs, and everyone who was at all able thronged the boulevard by which the royal visitors entered the city. As we saw all this, we were reminded of that Royal One who is coming again who knows how soon? There are unprepared hearts everywhere. but He has sent us *here* to prepare these for His coming. Shall we cease praying and working in and for this field because there has been so little fruit? Shall we not, rather, advance in great faith, claiming the victory for Him? We leave the answer with you.

EDWIN and DOROTHY JACQUES

COLD rainy weather and snow on the surrounding mountains foretell the close of our outdoor work. Many adjustments this first year have demanded time; yet we rejoice in the spread of the Gospel message. Only eight preaching services have been held outside the city. Each one, however, marks the success of lengthy "arranging" through semi-oriental villagers whose watchword is "tomorrow".

Having arranged one meeting, we arrived Sunday afternoon and found the village deserted; the head man (ex-Ohio) had failed to send out the town crier as promised. The second time he informed only the Orthodox district, and but four Moslems came. So when Mehmet proposed a meeting on the day that Moslems observe St. Dhimiter's day (their forefathers were Orthodox!), we went early. Word spread. Finally the hide drum boomed out the close of the day's fast.

This is the month of Ramazan, and faithful Moslems neither eat nor drink from sunrise to sunset. Shortly after, the clarinet and trumpet sounded hymns down over the houses. Soon all the men and even several women gathered on the village green, saw pictures and heard of God's love for every repentant prodigal. Afterward Mr. Konrad was mobbed, however, by the crowd struggling to receive the illustrated Scripture leaflets.

Tract work has reached twenty-six communities. In several instances we were helped by Sunday School teachers, who biked out to the villages with us. In the Kortcha market

we have reached the farmers and tradesmen; on the boulevard the intelligentsia; at holy day festivals the religious. This work will probably close the last of November, when from the 25th to the 28th a gigantic celebration will commemorate the quarter century anniversary of Albania's independence from Turkey. Mr. Konrad and Koci hope to cover the capitol, while I must remain in Kortcha. Such contacts give us unparalleled opportunities for presenting the Lord Jesus Christ to all sorts of men as their only hope. Pray for the display of His grace unto salvation.

Some have written us under the impression that our hearers always number in the hundreds; we frequently face twenties. Children have been strictly cautioned by the Bishop against the danger of attending the Uniat kindergarten, the Catholic mission or "Mrs. Kennedy's" (our Sunday School). So our attendance is now just under a hundred. These come regularly, however, and seem really interested. Even when the schools were ordered out to bid farewell to the visiting princesses, 34 children appeared for the lesson! We now begin a two-year intensive study of the Gospel of Luke.

What a disappointment was Koci! His baptism was a unique testimony. Headed for Bible School, he remained unmoved by his uncle's tirade: "Your mother lost her husband 24 years ago; now she loses her son. As for you, Koci — go! A pleasant journey! But never call me 'uncle'; never call her 'mother'. You shame the living and the dead." All formalities were faced, outfit secured, suit case packed and bus reservations made. The past few days the mother had seemed reconciled; but an hour before bus time, she and other relatives staged such a hysterical demonstration that he changed his mind. It was unbelievable! But "Dis-appointment — His-appointment", and Romans 8:28, and Peter's denial: so we are quietly awaiting the comeback, and by the Holy Spirit expect a yet greater victory.

Jean and Arthur are celebrating their first anniversary on the field by taking over the teaching of Sunday School groups.

Forty thousand beautifully illustrated leaflets have been granted us by the Scripture Gift Mission of London. Twenty-five thousand leaflets have just been printed here; three booklets are in the process: one especially for Moslems, and "The Reason Why" for students.

Two basement rooms have just been outfitted for recreation and reading rooms for the young men who frequent the Mission.

But these are only things, activities. Freedom to act in these twilight times is rare, and we appreciate it. But still we realize that zeal alone, mere busy-ness, will never suffice. And so to you prayer helpers we commit these matters for intercession. May we add a very pertinent word from Spurgeon, and its seconding by Hudson Taylor.

"Think no more that God is tied to your plans and to your agencies . . . Do not say, 'So many preachers; so many sermons; so many souls saved. Do not say, 'So many Bibles; so many tracts; so much good done.' Not so; use these, but it is not in that proportion the blessing comes; it is, so much Holy Spirit, so many souls ingathered."

"The supreme want of all missions in the present day is the manifested presence of the Holy Ghost. Hundreds of Gospel addresses have been given. Tens of thousands of miles have been traversed in missionary journeys, but how small has been the issue in the way of definite conversions. Human efforts can never meet heathendom on its own ground. There must be divine power."

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MISSIONARIES ON FURLOUGH

Rev. and Mrs. Phineas B. Kennedy, Missionaries of the Albanian Evangelical Mission (united with *The American-European Fellowship*), have recently returned to the United States. They have been assisting in two weeks of evangelistic meetings in Manchester, New Hampshire, and calling in both American and Albanian homes, circulating Christian literature in both English and Albanian. Many Albanians have attended the services. One evening they spoke before the Albanians in Boston.

In Manchester the hearers made up an offering of $25, which was sent to Mr. Jacques and Mr. Konrad, and also kindly gave $6.46 toward the traveling expenses of Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy. They would like to continue deputation work and hold up these young Missionaries on the field and also visit the Albanian communities in America. With the help of friends they would be glad to make their headquarters in one of the larger groups of Albanians (perhaps in New York, where there are five thousand), but up until now such work has proved to be impossible.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy are holding themselves open to visit churches or missionary groups, speaking either with or without slides. If they can assist any pastor in holding evangelistic or prayer meetings, it would give them joy to join their prayers and pastoral visitation with his that "there may be added unto the Church such as are being saved." And if it is God's will they hold themselves open to return to the work in Albania later on.

These missionaries can be reached at 718 Kensington Avenue, Plainfield, N. J., or in care of *The American-European Fellowship*, 156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

"Missionary life is not an exile. It is not a duress. To a true missionary it is a glad privilege in spite of hardships. That is what the missionaries have been ceaselessly telling us; and from the looks of their faces *we believe it.*"

Twenty-Five Years In Austria

Pastor Monsky's Ministry Ends A Quarter Century Of Service.

25th ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EVANGELICAL SOCIETY IN AMERICA.

Dear Friends:

"DECLARED dead-and yet we live!" We might write these words at the head of this report of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Evangelical Society of Austria. How often have we been declared "dead" during these 25 years — by friend and foe — and still we live — to the joy of many, to the sorrow of some. Help us dear friends, far and near, by your supporting love so that the Evangelical Society of Austria may have the assurance in this year of jubilee, as so many times before, that the present crisis will lead not unto death but rather into vivid life. Tried and purified anew, may it bring new blessings to our people and to our churches. It cannot and must not die. It has still to fulfill its duties towards the Lord, the same as at the time of its foundation 25 years ago.

This is our year of Jubilee. At Pentecost, 1912, we started humbly and timidly. Pastor Monsky laid down his work at the evangelical church at Krems, Austria, where he had been pastor for eleven years, and went to Graz. During February, 1915, he moved to Vienna as the General Secretary of the Evangelical Society of Austria. The first Board resolved that the Evangelical Society should do its part in bringing to pass the deepening and purifying of the faith and the life of the members of the Evangelical Church in Austria. Its goal to-day is still to reach and to serve as many as possible within the church and far beyond by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the biblical way and to bring about, with the help of God, repentance of the sinners and revival among the Christians. Just there lies the call and the gift of the Society.

We do not interfere with other workers who see their duties on different roads, but we ask them to let us go on in the way which God has made plain to us. We have not changed the first adopted basis of the Society: The Evangelical Society of Austria stands on the ground of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the crucified and risen Lord whose living Power it realizes to be the only remedy for the destruction now being wrought in the moral, social and religious spheres of our people.

We pray and hope that the Lord who has carried us through last year's heavy crisis will do it again during this year of jubilee. There are still 6 missionaries, 4 deaconesses and 2 office workers to be supported; besides we have to pay for the halls and rooms and all that is connected with it. May the dear Lord give us what the Chairman of the Gnadauer Verband, Dr. Michaelis said in view of the difficulties we have to pass through at the present time: "May be that your work will experience through the blessing of the Lord what most of the mission districts experienced during the war when they were suddenly left without support and had to stand alone and thereby grew strong".

In view of the cost, this report has to be short. We want only to mention, that besides the regular work at the different stations, which consists of general and special meetings for men, women, girls and children, the General Secretary visited the posts several times for bible lessons and evangelistic meetings. Pastor Monsky was twice in Graz and in Riedlingsdorf as well as in Linz. Missionary Metzger of Vienna was in Linz, Salzburg and Goisern, Missionary Fischer of Graz at Mödling, Missionary Hotwagner in Hungary. The sisters in charge of the post at Salzburg and Linz took their young girls to Weikersdorf for a time of Bible study and recreation. Sister E. Steyrer, who was connected with us during the first years of our work, returned from America where she had received a fine training at the Moody Bible Institute. She was sent back to her own beloved country by the *American European Fellowship*, and is supported by American Christians. She arrived just in time to take up the work of our traveling missionary, sister Engeli, who now entered the Deaconesses Home at Gallneukirchen. We thank sister Engeli for her faithful and blessed service of many years, and wish her joy and peace in her new home.

We close with the words of the Apostle Paul, II Cor. 6:4-10, making his testimony our own. "But in all things approving ourselves as the ministers of God, by honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report, as dying and behold we live, as chastened and not killed, as poor yet making many rich, as having nothing and yet possessing all things".

At the order of the Working-Committee of the Evangelische Gesellschaft in Austria.
General Secretary, Pastor Monsky.

ARE THESE THE DAYS FOR MISSIONARY LABOR?

"The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance." — 2 Peter 3:9.

Work In Eastern Poland

A Native Worker Preaching The Gospel In Many Towns.

By Konstanty Jarastsuk

Oct. 5th, 1937.

The Lord helped me to visit sixty-five Russian, seven Polish, and eighteen Jewish families, and one sick brother. I conducted seven revival meetings, four prayer-meetings and one special meeting for the children. I was invited also on four occasions to preach in different towns. Besides the above mentioned, I was receiving callers at my home. In order to accomplish everything which I have mentioned I rode on my bicycle 258 kilometers, visited eleven different places and distributed a large amount of Christian literature.

On the fifth of September I went to the town of Brest-on-Bug where I had been invited to conduct Baptismal ceremonies. There we had a blessed time in the Lord. On my way home I visited different villages. (Acts 14:22).

On the eighth of September I went to the village Dmitrovichi, with the aim of giving consolation to the people, because they had a very great fire the day before. More than 80 houses were burnt down and the people were sitting on the ruins and ashes of their former homes crying. I could not give them any material assistance, but the Lord blessed me in giving them encouragement with the Word of God. (Heb. 12:1-8).

On the eleventh of September I went according to invitation to the village of Chvirki, where people were celebrating the harvest festival. The Lord blessed my ministry and on the way home I visited several villages.

On the twelfth of September I conducted a large meeting in Kamenets-Litovsk. We had a blessed time in the Lord, but there was one difficulty. We had not room enough for the meetings because the room we are renting is very small. We can accommodate no more than one hundred people and many people are obliged to turn back home for lack of space. To our great regret we cannot raise money to rent a larger hall or to build a chapel, because every member of our congregation is very poor and we are in difficult financial circumstances.

On the seventeenth of September I went to the village of Trostanitsa, where I preached at the evening service. The Lord blessed the service.

On the nineteenth of September I went to the village of Bildeiki, accompanied by a Christian brother. Although the number of believers is very small in that town, we had a large attendance in our meeting. Many people came from curiosity and the Lord touched their hearts. They were listening to the Word of God with tears of joy in their eyes. (I Pet. 2:9.) After the services, which were conducted in the Russian and Polish languages, the people were so fascinated with the Word of God that they did not wish to disperse and were asking continually that we sing more hymns and give more of the Word of God. They were asking us to visit again as soon as possible. The spiritual literature which we had was received with the greatest eagerness.

On the 21st of September we had a very blessed time in the Lord in the village of Lipno. On the 24th of September I went to the village Trostanitsa, where I visited many families and in the evening I preached the Word of God.

On the 26th of September we had a most blessed time in the Lord in the village Belevo not far from Kamenets-Litovsk. The meeting was so well attended that the large prayer meeting room was packed with people. We had such a wonderful time in the Lord that people were crying from joy and their shining faces were the best testimony of their faith. (John 3:16). There was clearly manifest the working of the Holy Spirit. (Matt 11:28-30 and Phil. 4:6-7). After the general meeting we had a special meeting for the children, which the mothers also attended. Here also the Lord manifested Himself and we had a most blessed time. It is necessary to mention that we have a great need for Christian literature, which we can not procure because of our difficult material condition.

It is easy to see that people are hungry for the Word of God (Isa. 53:6-7). They are asking always that we come and visit them and give to them the Word of God. It is necessary to satisfy the spiritual need and my heart is full of the desire to work for my Lord and help the people in their need. (John 10:27-28) John 10:35-36. But there are many difficulties. As for example, my difficult material condition; second, the animosity toward us of the Catholic and Greek Catholic clergy, who are trying with different means to hinder our work and keep the people away from the Word of God (Acts 13:8). They try with all their power to make the spreading of the gospel difficult. (Matt. 28:18-20 and Mark 16: 15-16). As you see, we have a hard struggle before us with these adversaries of our Lord. (Psa. 117:6-8, Psa. 118:50).

I ask you humbly to help me with your prayers and with material support. With my hearty greetings and best wishes, I am yours in Christ Jesus.

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"As many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His Name."—John 1.12.

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